

Franklin Middle School

2024-2025 School Year

Welcome to the beginning of our 2024-2025 school year! Our first day together is fast approaching, so we would like to take this opportunity as Franklin's Administration to extend greetings to each student and parent within our community.

In order for us to do our best in educating your student, we need to be assured we can contact you for emergencies, opportunities, and general information. We ask that you notify us throughout the year of any further changes in your contact information. Parent Connect is how you can gain access to your student's most current grades and attendance. Please login in frequently throughout the school year to stay up to date on your student's academic success.

Review this document carefully. Registration is done virtually. We will need everyone's cooperation with the registration forms you need to complete online. Your student will not be able to access their class schedule if all required forms are not submitted (Aug 26th is when schedules will be available to view in Parent/Student Connect). All fines need to be paid prior to the start of school to be able to obtain your schedule, purchase apparel, or receive school materials. They can be paid to our main office beginning on August 21st by calling 734-419-2400.

Our Open House date is scheduled for Monday, August 26th from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Please make sure your student comes to school dressed appropriately following the Franklin Middle School dress code. This can be found at the bottom of this document. Students will get their picture taken for their school ID on the first day of school.

Lastly, all students will be assigned a locker with a combination. Students are not to share their combination with any other students or share their locker space. Also, please note that Franklin is an "Away for the Day" school with regards to any cell phones or electronic devices. Students are expected to have their cell phones locked in their locker during the school day or turned off if they keep it on their person. It is a direct violation of our school code of conduct if it is turned on and/or in use. If a student violates this rule, the phone is confiscated and a parent/guardian will have to pick it up.

We are excited for this school year! See you on the first day of school! :)

INCOMING 6TH GRADERS:

Welcome to Franklin Middle School! It was so great to meet many of you at our transition night back in June.

As you start your Middle School career here at Franklin, you will be held to high expectations to ensure that you are meeting your maximum potential. We also know that being new to a building, staff, and expectations can need an adjustment period. We will not be marking tardies for our incoming 6th grade students for at least the first week of school to allow them the time to find their classes, use their locker, navigate through their schedule, and build their confidence within their new school building. We will work with them to make sure that they are successful. We are excited to meet them and work with them for their entire middle school career.

REGISTRATION:

(To be done virtually, must complete by August 26th)

All registration documents must be completed by August 26th.

<u>eturnı</u>	ng WWCSD Student Tasks :
	og into Parent Connection (Click here for Directions)
	☐ Update All Current Student Enrollments on Parent Connection This can be done starting now and will be available until September 16th. (Click here for Directions)
C	complete the Online Household Reporting Form. (<u>Directions and Screenshots</u>) (if you are unable to complete this process online, please fill out this <u>Household Reporting Form</u> and have your student eturn the completed form to their 1st hour teacher on August 27th.
□ C	omplete the MCIR FERPA form. This form will be due to 1st hour teachers by September 1st.
□ P	ay all fines owed to WWCSD with cash or cashier's check in exact amount. We do not have change.
□ F	Review our school's Title 1 Parent Compact and sign your acknowledgement <u>HERE</u> .

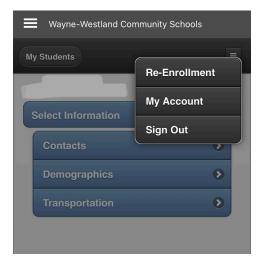
New WWCSD Student Registration

To register your student please complete our online pre-enrollment at		
https://www.wwcsd.net/new-families/enroll-today/ Located under Enrollment Process.		
If pre-enrollment was completed before August 14, 2024, contact Chrisena Orr at our board office (734-419-2083).		
Contact Ms. Braswell at 734-419-2417 or braswellw@wwcsd.net if Pre-Enrollment is finished after August 16, 2024. Complete the documents located in this New Student Enrollment Packet . These documents can also be found on the Pre-Enrollment page at WWCSD.NET (follow the new family process).		

^{**} Please note that a health appraisal is required for all students new to our district.**

MISTAR APP

Great news! For your ease and convenience, there is an app that has been created to have quick access to your Parent and Student Connection. In your Google App or Play store, type in "MiStar" and you will have the option to download the "Q ParentConnection" app for yourself and also the "Q StudentConnection" app for your child. I



downloaded it and found it to be very easy to use. The convenience of having an app, rather than locating the website and looking up my PIN and password each time was great. I highly recommend downloading if you have a device.

If you get the app, you can select the "Re-Enrollment" in the drop down menu to submit your information that way as well.



Transportation will begin on the first day of school, **Tuesday**, **August 27th**, for all *eligible* students. Your transportation information (route and pick up and drop off times) will be found under the 'Transportation' tab in your Parent/Student Connect account.

This year chromebooks will remain in the classrooms. Students will not receive an individual chromebook to carry around.

All students participating in athletics MUST HAVE A MHSAA ATHLETIC FORM TURNED IN to the Coach or Athletic Director BEFORE THE FIRST PRACTICE OR TRYOUT (whichever is first). Physical forms may be picked up in the counseling office or CLICK HERE for the digital form.

If your child has any medical needs during the school day, please bring the necessary documentation to the Counseling Office. Any medication to be kept in the office must be brought in by a parent or guardian. Click <u>HERE</u> to access the necessary forms we will need on file prior to the start of school.

It is the WWCSD district policy that NO prescribed or over-the-counter medication can be in school without WWCSD medication forms signed by a doctor and parent. If the form turned in is for "self carry" orders, the student may keep the medication with them. If it is not a "self carry" order, only parents or their listed contacts may bring in the medication which will be kept in the Counseling Office. Blank medication forms can be picked up if needed in the Counseling office during the school year.

Picture Day Tuesday, April 27th

Picture day is on Tuesday, April 27th . If you'd like to purchase pictures, you can do so online beforehand.

PICTURE DAY ID: EVTB3QKZH

All students will need to get their picture taken. They will get their student ID on picture day. They must keep their ID on them every day.

HERE COMES THE BUS APP

Wayne-Westland Community Schools has partnered with Here Comes the Bus to offer families an app that will help avoid students and parents from waiting too long for the bus. Here Comes the Bus allows parents to see where their child's bus is along the route and when it will be at their bus stop.

DIRECTIONS:

Visit herecomesthebus.com

Click the "Sign Up" button

Enter school code 87839 and click "Next" followed by "Confirm"

Complete the "User Profile" box

Under "My Students," click "Add." Enter your child's last name and student ID number Once you confirm your information, you're ready to begin using Here Comes the Bus!



OPEN HOUSE

Open House is scheduled for Monday, August 26th from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Need Vaccines? We will have the vaccine clinic here to provide any vaccinations your child may require to stay up-to-date and enroll in school. The clinic will be open from 9:30am-11:30am on September 24. It will be located here at Franklin.

SUGGESTED SUPPLY LISTS

Recommended supplies for your child to start school include a string backpack, one folder per class, a binder, lined paper, and sharpened pencils in a pencil box/case and ink pens.

More supplies may be recommended by the teachers depending on which classes your child is taking. Your child's teachers will be able to share any pertinent information regarding your child being prepared for their class as we start the school year.

STAY IN THE LOOP

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA! We are regularly active on facebook so you will be able to see all of the amazing things we do here at FMS!

Follow us on Facebook:

Franklin's Finest: Franklin Middle School

Email:

Mrs. Pringle will send a digital newsletter highlighting important dates, events and learning. Please read the communication each week so you are always up to date.

FIRST WEEK-SCHOOL SCHEDULE

The first day of school is scheduled on **Tuesday, August 27th**. Labor day recess is Aug 30th - Sept 2nd.

Our bell schedule and other important school information can be found at our website by clicking <u>HERE</u>. I recommend bookmarking this website on your devices for quick references to school updates, calendar, schedules, and contact information.

INCOMING 7TH GRADERS - VACCINATIONS NEEDED

The State of Michigan requires children to be age-appropriately vaccinated to attend school, unless a valid waiver applies. Children entering 7th grade are **required** to have documentation of the following vaccinations:

All 7th Graders and 7-18 year old transfer students

Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP, DTaP, Tdap)4 doses diphtheria and tetanus or 3 doses if 1st dose given on or after 1 year of age

1 dose Tdap at 11 years of age or older upon entry into 7th grade or higher

Polio4 doses or 3 doses if dose 3 was given on at or after 4 years of age

Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)*2 doses at or after 12 months of age

Hepatitis B3 doses

Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY)1 dose at 11 years or age or older upon entry into 7th grade or higher Varicella (Chickenpox)*2 doses at or after 12 months of age or current lab immunity or history of varicella disease

** If your student is not fully immunized by October 11, 2024, per the State of Michigan, they may not be able to attend school.

How to Get Required Vaccines:

- 1. Physician offices- contact your doctor's office
- 2. Wayne County Health Department Immunization Clinic 33330 Van Born Rd Wayne, MI 48184 call 734-727-7100 for appointments
- 3. Beaumont Child & Adolescent Health Center Adams 33475 Palmer rd. Westland, MI 48186 (located inside Adams Middle School) Call 734-728-2423 for appointments.
- 4. Stop in for Stevenson Middle School's vaccination clinic during our Fall Open House.

For vaccine waivers contact the Wayne County Health Department for appointments 734-727-7125.

OUTSIDE FOOD POLICY

Outside food deliveries such as Door Dash is not permitted. Please do not send food directly from delivering companies to the school. If you bring fast food to the school for students they should be signed out for lunch and signed back in. We do not allow fast food in the lunchroom. We also do not allow parents to bring fast food to the school for friends.

DISMISSAL POLICY

Our school day ends at 2:40pm. All dismissal arrangements/changes and pickups must be made **by 2:20pm**. After 2:20pm parents/guardians will have to wait until students are released at the bell.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Counseling Secretary Ms. Braswell 734- 419 -2417, braswellw@wwcsd.net

Counselors

Counselor:	Mrs. Thomas thomast@wwcsd.net	Ms. Fuqua fuquad@wwcsd.net
Student Last Name:	A- K	L-Z

COUNSELING WEBSITE

Near the start of school, when you login to your Parent Connect and/or Student Connect accounts, you will have access to your schedule. If you have any questions around courses that are scheduled, or an issue with your schedule (example: a hole in your schedule), please contact your child's counselor.

Attend Wayne-Westland Community Schools? Need assistance with basic needs? Contact our Family Resource Center! You can fill out this digital REQUEST FOR SERVICES form (opens on August 1st), call: 734-419-2709 or email us at: FRC@wwcsd.net. We can assist ANY student/family enrolled in Wayne-Westland Community Schools. Some of the resources we can help with are: food assistance, school supplies, backpacks, emergency toiletries, laundry assistance, referrals to community resources (tutoring, rent and utilities assistance, counseling) and much, much more. Must be attending WWCS to be eligible for services. We look forward to helping you!

ATTENDANCE POLICIES

All data and research tells us that when students are in class, they are learning and with some effort will pass their courses. Students are required to be in class every day. Once a student reaches 10 undocumented absences, they are considered truant, according to Michigan State Law.

Students who are late to class are taking away a learning opportunity for all students in that class due to disruptions. All students are expected to be here every day and on time to their classes. The District Attendance Policy states that if a student misses more than 25% of a class, they are considered absent. Participation in certain activities may be limited by poor attendance.

Students that need to leave school early need to have a parent or emergency contact sign them out in the main office.

Students who are not in an approved after school activity or sport must be out of the building by 3:00pm and off the school grounds.

Parents are expected to call their student's counseling office secretary before 9:00am on the day of the absence to be excused early. All absences must be excused within 48 hours of student absence. You may leave a message on the appropriate office voice mail system 24 hours a day.

If your student will be missing school for any documented reason, please drop off a copy of the document in person or email the document to braswellw@wwcsd.net. Documented absence examples would include but are not limited to a Doctor's Note, Court Document, or Funeral Home Note.

Call this number to report your child's absence: (734) 419- 2424.

STUDENT ID CARDS

Each student will receive their ID during picture day free of charge. All students need to have their ID with them each day. If your student loses their ID, they will need to purchase a replacement ID. The cost is \$5. If your student loses their ID or needs to request an ID for any other reason, they can request a replacement by stopping by the main office.

VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECKS

Any person, 18 years or older, who plans to volunteer either at a Franklin Middle School event or chaperone a field trip MUST complete a iCHAT form and provide a copy of a current Driver's License or State ID. Contact the main office to get the necessary documentation.

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE POLICY

All wireless communication devices (including, but not limited to, smart phones, cell phones, airpods, tablets, and smart watches) must be turned off or locked in the student's locker during the school day. There are no exceptions to this. If a student is seen on their electronic device between the start and end of their school day, the phone will be confiscated and a parent will need to come up to the school to pick it up.

PARENT SURVEY

Dress Code

Student Dress Code The style and manner in which a student dresses while he/she attends school shall be the responsibility of his/her parents. Parental discretion shall be the major criteria for student dress.

The District, however, maintains the right to impose reasonable restrictions on dress for the following reasons:

If the style of dress or grooming is disruptive to the educational process or is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the student or other students with whom he/she attends school.

Students, together with their parents, have the responsibility to dress and groom themselves in a manner appropriate for school. Principals have the responsibility and right to interpret this dress Handbook in a consistent, fair and reasonable manner.

This list is not exhaustive and includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Safe footwear must be worn at all times.
- 2. Clothing for school will cover the shoulders to mid-thigh.
- 3. Hats or headgear (other than for religious or medical reasons) are not to be worn inside the building.
- 4. Sunglasses are not to be worn inside the building.
- 5. Pajamas, slippers, underwear that is exposed, halter-tops, bare midriffs, bare sides, sheer articles of clothing, low cut tops or skirts/shorts that do not reach below one's fingertips, and t-shirts with drug or alcohol literature are examples of clothing not permitted.
- 6. Clothing, jewelry or accessories that denote membership in a group which advocates drug use, violence, or disruptive behavior or that promote inappropriate or illegal behavior, indicate profanity or unacceptable language/double meanings, are not to be worn.

7. Wallet chains and other forms of chains over 6 inches in length are not permitted nor are spiked jewelry